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Icelandic Society

Your correspondent keeps a lonely vigil beside her telephone, pencil in hand, poised and waiting for the news, and it never comes. So far all she has gathered is dust, .cobwebs and a feeling of frustration as the 20th of the month draws nigh. In case you have mislaid it, the number is 489-0902.

We note with interest a recent article in the Logberg Heimskringla pertaining to the efforts of the Winnipeg Scandinavian Building Committee to find a suitable meeting place. We also note that they, too, have an affliction common to Scandinavian groups and certainly familiar to our readers, money, or rather the lack of it. They have tentatively settled on a building at 360

Our president, Mr. Gunnar Thorvaldson, has made several trips to Yellowknife of late in connection with his job with C. N. Telegraphs. Final preparations are going ahead for the inauguration of the Micro-Wave Network. This will bring telegraph and telephone service to the northern centre.

Mr. F. J. Fishburne has returned from a most enjoyable trip to the west coast. While there he visited in Vancouver, Victoria and Quali-Fum Beach.

Has This Ever Happened To You? Mr. and Mrs. Bill Halldorson knew they had a cousin (Thora's) living in Edmonton or vicinity. She had moved from Saskatchewan forty years ago and everyone had lost track of her. Over the years they made countless inquiries but got no results. On a recent trip to Calgary Bill met friends who gave him the long-sought name and address. It was Mrs. G. A. Drynan, address, well, no, not right next door, but around the corner and down a ways. She and Thora had seen each other often on the street and as a matter of fact there is a bit of family resemblance. Of course there was a real family reunion. Mrs. Drynan was so pleased to meet relatives from the Icelandic side of her family. Mr. John Lindal, Thora's father, is the last living member of Mrs. Drynan's family; she was, of course, Icelandic.

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DANIA

(Danish Society)

at 10029 - 85 Avenue. All Danishspeaking ladies are welcome. We had a very nice meeting on March 19th and after our business meet- Hall, commencing at 8 p.m. sharp. ing we played bingo and had a most Dont be late. I am sure you will enenjoyable evening.

Denmark after a good crossing on there. "Stavangerfjord", but she writes that none of them like it in Denmark as they had thought they would. However, both Bitten and Ellis the best of it, and we all hope they will come to like it after they get settled. A greeting from them to all here in Edmonton whom they know.

DANIA GYM NEWS

We are now approaching the end of our scheduled training for this winter. The gymnastic exercises for girls and ladies will terminate on Monday, April 9th, for boys and men on Wednesday, April 11th.

The attendance this year has been good on most teams, and the many newcomers show excellent promise for our gymnastics in the future.

Next winter gymnastics will commence on September 17th at Oliver School. We are trying to make different arrangements and use another gymnasium at the school for the girls team. It is then our intention to have Keep Fit exercises for adults at the same time as the boys and girls gymnastics are held in the additional hall. We hope that this will result in more parents taking part in the exercises. Gymnastics should be a family affair, with everyone from 4 years old to 70 years young taking part.

Our annual Banquet and Dance is as advertised, on Saturday, April 14 at the South Side Legion Hall, in co-operation with "Freja Handball Club". Please attend with your relatives and friends, and help us make this, our last affair of the winter, an unforgettable one.

Toasting The Toastmaster

The after-dinner toastmaster had talked for 45 minutes. "After partaking of such a meal," he continued, "I feel if I had eaten any more I Mr. Sig Sigurdson is now making would be unable to take. far end of the table came a yell: would be unable to talk." From the "Give him a sandwich"

TAKE NOTICE

We have noticed that lately the monthly News Column is being used for advertising purposes. We would like to draw your attention to the fact that the economy of your newspaper is based upon advertising, not upon news columns. When any coming event is published in the News we think that we should rightly expect a paidfor advertisement inasmuch as you do save both postage and printing expense which are involved in direct notification. We hope to recive your full co-operation in this matter

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Finnish Society

SAVON SYDAMMESSA

The entertainment committee, the "Bikuben" will meet on April 16 cast of a three-act play, will present 'Savon Sydammessa' at the next monthly dance. The next dance will be held April 6th, at the McCauley joy watching it all. There will also be a short program. Coffee will be We received a letter from Grethe served. Remember, April 6th, at 8 Peterson (Bitten). She arrived in p.m. We are hoping to see you all

There will be a second showing of "Savon Sydemmessa". On April 7 we will be going to Eckville to pre- sistant Financial Secretary, Doreen sent it there. We hope you will all have obtained jobs and are making be able to join us there also. I am sure you will enjoy seeing and meeting your old friends, and have a wonderful time. The date is April 7 at Eckville Hall.

> Here is a reminder that there will be an executive meeting of the ected: Finnish Socety on April 2nd, commencing at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. T. Salomaa.

Thanks to Mrs. J. Luoma who was the hostess of last month's sewing-(Continued on Page Two)

Vasa Lodge Buford

Vasa Lodge No. 577

The first meeting of Buford Vasa Lodge No. 577 was held on March 15th after repeated postponements. due to drifted roads and snow.

The new officers elected for the year 1962 are:

Chairman, Floyd Modin; Vice-chairman, Clair Pearson; Secretary, Wanda Markstedt; Assistant Secretary, Avis Pearson; Finance Sec- received 25 year pins. retary, Eric Kvarnberg; Assistant Finance Secretary, Ray Pearson; Treasurer, Arne Dixon; Chaplain, Chaplain, Signe Carlson; Master of Ceremon-

for the annual Smorgas- dance. bord and Dance to be held on April 27th at Calmar Hall.

er, Tony Lefsrud.

We are glad to see that Mrs. Mabetter after her recent stay in hos-

enjoyable time on their trip to the United States and Mexico.

The monthly meeting of the Junior Vasa Club was held at the home of Maureen and Shelley Modin. Plans were made to go tobogganing on March 18th. A jewel box (with clock) will be raffled by the junior members on April 27th.

Fjaller Johnson took his first plane trip when he flew to Vancouver to visit his sister-in-law who is ill.

The next Vasa meeting will be held at the regular time, the last Thursday in March.

Vasa Lodge

Skandia No. 549

Before our March meeting was called to order, a group of the younger members took on the obligation of conducting the meeting in place of the elected officers. District Deputy Gus Johnson and District Master Margaret Eliasson, installed the following officers:

President, Elwood Johnson; Vice-president, Anna Bergquist; Secretary, Geraldine Johnson; Assistant Secretary, Carol Engvall; Financial Secretary, Karen Markstrom; As-Nyroos; Treasurer, Bernice Pearson; Past President, Gerald Bergquist; Chaplain, Audrey Eliasson; Outer Guard, Wayne Modin: Inner Guard, Kenneth Pearson: Assistant Master Ceremonies, Pauline John-

The following committees were el-

Sick committee - chairman, Willard the occasion. Modin; Ed Berquist, Milda Backstrom, Hansine Pierre, Emma Krag, Alice Johnson. Auditors - Glen Eliasson, Harold Markstrom, Bud Holmgren, Sig Franzen. Land Committee-Chairman, Sig Johnson; Treasurer, Eric Pierre; Secretary, Betty Pearson; Olaf Tweter, Harold Markstrom, Peter Johnson, Willard Modin. Visiting Committee - Eric Pierre, Hansine Pierre, Sig Johnson, Alice Johnson. Sympathy Correspondent - Anna Johnson. Vasa Star Correspondent, Linnea Lodge. Cultural Leader, Glen Eliasson. Scandinavian Centre Committee - Ed Bergquist, Mary Pearson, Jean Anderson, Eric Pierre. Lodge Social Convener For Scandinavian Centre - Elsie Simmons. Investigating Committee Gus and Helga Johnson, Ed and Ruth Bergquist.

Ed Nordin and Albert Sandstrom

The Smorgasbord will be held in the Masonic Temple on October 27. I think the younger people made quite an impression on the older ies, Albin Markstedt; Assistant Mas- members in their ability to conduct ter of Ceremonies, Vernon Pearson; the meeting. Lunch was served and Outer Guard, Frank Carlson; Inner dancing to Carl Elgstrand's orches-Guard, Gust Modin; Cultural Lead- tra folowed. The next meeting will A committee was elected to com- Temple, and will be followed by a

FIRST ATTEMPT AT VASA DAY IN ALBERTA

Preparations for a Vasa Day for bel Sol is home again and feeling all Lodges within Alberta District No. 18 are underway. Date, May 20. Place considered-Red Lodge in Pat and Tony Lefsrud report an tion for all Lodges. The day is to Red Deer, this being a central locainclude different activities in sports, program of children's clubs, folk dancing, drill team and other numbers which will be added to the program. Watch for further announcement in May issue.

CHILDEN'S CLUB

There was an excellent turn-out of children in March, and all were enthusiastic about performing on the Mothers' Day Program. The next meeting will be April 18th.

LADIES AUXILIARY

The Vasa Ladies met at the home (Continued on Page 3)

Sons Of Norway

DATES TO REMEMBER

"We Are Two Hundred Strong". A Members social evening on Friday, April 13 at Corona Hotel, Jasper Ave. and 106 St. Another membership drive is in full swing. If you wish to join the ranks you may contact Mr. Kalmar Amdam by phoning his number, HU 9-2404, or Mr. Sigurd Sorsen at his office, the McLeed Bldg., phone number 424-7311 or at his home HO 6-1839. Do feel free to call at any time. We welcome each and everyone. Mrs. Orla Tychsen is hostess for the even-

April 28 is the Annual Spring Carnival. A night for fun and frolic, games and prizes. Come out from hibernation, get into the spring swing and join the folks at the Masonic Temple on Saturday, April 28. Mrs. Maisie Amdam is hostess for

AWARDS NIGHT

Sons of Norway were honored to having as their guest Supreme President John Kaare Hagen of New York on the occasion of their Members Social, February 23. The meeting opened with the singing of National Anthems. Three flags were then presented to the front, the flags of Canada, United States and Norway. The drill team gave a colorful performance. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of awards. Solglyt Lodge 143 has the honor of being the "District Lodge of the Year". Supreme President John Hagen presented Lodge President Kalmar Amdam and past Chairman Frank Johnsrud each with a certificate of merit. Inscribed on the certificates are these words "In grateful appreciation of outstanding service in membership promotion dur-ing year 1961. The Supreme Lodge of Sons of Norway awards this certificate to Solglyt Lodge 143 on this 15th day of June." A similar one was given to the Lodge. Supreme President John Hagen congratulated Solglyt Lodge on their fine record and was happy to note many of the be held on April 7th in the I.O.O.F. young people are taking the interest to carry on. Fourth District President Sigurd Sorenson spoke on the great need and constant efforts of Fraternities in promotion of peace and good will. At the close of the meeting special guest John Hagen received from President K. Amdam a model of an oil derrick, as a memento of the occasion. The social was held at the Caravan Hotel; their caterers served tasty sandwiches, dainty cakes and coffee.

> CALGARY BOOSTER NIGHT A chartered bus left Edmonton on (Continued on Page 4)

Our Sincere Thanks to the Following Donors:

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* EDITORIAL *

From The Secretary's Desk

On February 26 the new Board of Directors met at the offices of Sorenson Assurance Services Ltd. Following is a list of the directors, their responsibilities, and their phone numbers. You should cut this bit out for ready reference when you wish to contact the Board on important matters.

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To complete the organizational set-up, each national group selects a Scandinavian Committee, and one lady to be part of The Scandinavian Ladies' Committee. The Swedish Lodge, Vasa, has elected Mrs. Elsie Simmons to represent them on the Ladies' Committee, and the following have been selected for the Scandinavian Committee: Ed Bergquist; Mary Pearson: Jean Anderson; and Eric Pierre.

I regret that I am unable to report the personnel from the other four groups. May I hear from all of you soon?

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET ON MARCH 13

Under the chairmanship of K. L. Svidal, the new officers

got down to work in a most enthusiastic manner.

Sig Johnson, chairman of the Planning Committee, recommended that we turn down the Pentecostal Tabernacle as a future home for the Centre. This met with unanimous agreement by the Board. The reasons for this decision may be summarized as follows:

Poor parking facilities

Top long a time before possession (at least a year)

Too many and expensive alterations needed

The sub-structure of the building is questionable

The auditorium itself is too small.

Sig Johnson assured the Directors that there would be no stone unturned in the building of a Centre in 1962.

P. N. Christensen reported that the "News" was on its way to becoming financially self-supporting. All readers are urged to donate \$1.00 or more towards the support of the paper.

Planning for this year's Exhibition is already well under-

way under the chairmanship of Don Shaw.

H. A. Hansen brought in a report on Annual Scandinavian Night on behalf of the retiring Social Director, O. S. Franzen, which showed a net profit of approximately \$950.00.

RETIRING DIRECTORS

And speaking of retiring Directors, words of appreciation were expressed for the untiring efforts of O. S. Franzen, Social Director, and H. M. Halldorson, Treasurer. No one will Today the winds played April Foolfully realize the hours of work devoted to the Scandinavian They teased me on my way to Centre by these men. You can visualize with me, O. S. Franzen counting the tickets for Annual Scandinavian Night, and Sly East Wind stole my hat of blue, H. M. Halldorson balancing his accounts and issuing share certificates. Many, many hours of volunteer work is being put into this Association, and it is this spirit and this co-operation that is making possible a Scandinavian Centre for Ed-

THE CHARTERED FLIGHTS

Before the next paper is published, all passengers will have Then he huff-puffed me 'cross the made complete arrangements for that dream trip to Scandinavia. Those still on a waiting list should not be too discouraged, as there will be future trips planned. Then too, some one may have to drop out at the last minute, and you may be able to go on either the June 22 or June 29 trip. So be prepared!

Your Secretary is already completing a list of prospective passengers for future trips. Enquiries by phone, and by mail, are received every week. So if you are interested in that fu-

ture trip to Scandinavia, phone or write, NOW.

The last reservation came all the way from Chauvin, Alberta, from Mrs. Gerda Roulston. She says, "I was back two years ago, but at this price I could afford to go more often; put me down for the next trip."

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Finnish Society

(Continued from Page 1) circle. The next one will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Kit, 11413 - 79 Street, April 24th. Everyone is cordially invited.

Recent visitors from Rich Lake were Mrs. E. N. Tikkanen, Mrs. N. Sward and Mr. J. Ritola. During her visit in Edmonton, Mrs. E. N Tikkane attended the last monthly dance and said she had a very enjoyable evening.

Mr. L. Rama recently returned from a weekend visit to Rich Lake.

The annual fishing derby, after being postponed because of cold weather, was finally held March 11 at Baptiste Lake. Mr. J. Sahuri, Mr. V. Rastas and Mr. E. Luhtala were the winners of the first, second and third prizes of the men's group. In the ladies' group the winners were Mrs. E. Luhtala, Mrs. P. Utunen, and Miss Rita Nahkuri.

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Icelandic Society

(Continued from Page 1) Clem LaMothe, North Edmonton.

Mr. Mundi Sigbjornson had the misfortune of falling from a scaffold while at work. We are happy to report that he is now home from hospital, but still nursing broken extend their deepest sympathy to

A recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Art Arnfinson was Mr. Carl Magnuson. Mr. Magnuson has been working in Dawson City, Yukon, and was on his way home

Mrs. Pat Lane motored to Great Falls, Montana with friends to do a bit of shopping and to take in the

Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Ledger attended the wedding of their cousin, Miss Louise Ledger, in Calgary re-

Mrs. Margaret Cameron reports the following:

In the Royal Alex but able to get about on crutches - Mrs. Lena Benediktson. Convalescing at home - Mrs. McNaughton Sr., Mr. Henry Sumar-

lidason, Mr. Fusi Arnfinson, Mr. S. Isfeld. Our best wishes for your continued recovery.

A very happy birthday to the following Honorary Members of the Icelandic Society:

April 2, Mrs. Lena Benediktson, 85 years young; April 25, Mr. S. Isfeld; April 27, Mr. F. Frederickson.

The Edmonton Icelandic Society members of the Reinhold family. Mr. Ferdinand Reinhold passed away recently. The funeral was held at Athadasca.

The St. Patrick's Dance held at the Mocombo was a huge success. A large crowd was in attendance and a good time was had by all.

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Harold and Erlund Markstorm's sister and brother-in-law, Vivian and Folka Stenlund, are visiting here from Sweden.

Mrs. Alma Samuelson is visiting with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dalgren, in Seattle, Washington.

A few brave Lodge members started out to attend the Buford Lodge meeting on March 8th, but had to turn back at Leduc because of the

Who is the smart Norwegian whist player who takes 13 tricks when the opposite side bids high?

Mrs. Inga Shaw is now residing at 10428 - 143 Street, phone 455-4352.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs R. Streid (Connie Dahl) on the birth of Susan Marie on February 16th.

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Sons Of Norway

(Continued from Page 1) the night of February 24th with thirty-five boosters aboard for Calsang a few Norwegian selections, the players dressed in cowboy regalia. Five Presidents were there to speak. It was reported Claresholm had a very good turnout for the occasion. Everyone from Edmonton had an enjoyable time.

LADIES' AUXILIARY

We regret the cancellation of the March meeting due to the extremely cold weather. It will be held on Friday night, April 6 at the home of Mrs. Milton McInnis at 10751 - 149 St. We extend a cordial invitation to our member ladies.

NORWEGIAN LADIES CLUB

Mrs. Halvor Johnson was hostess to the Ladies of the Norwegian Ladies Club on March 7 at her home. The ladies played bingo and enjoyed a lovely lunch.

BOWLING BY-LINE

Ladies high single, Irene Lagergren, 357. Ladies high triple, Betty Mc-Kevitt, 731. Men's high single, Norman Nilsen, 354. Men's high triple, Norman Nilsen, 772. Team high single for season, Bernard Olafson's Trolls, 1334. Team's high triple, Andy Mjaatvaits' Norsemen, 3342 Victor Larson's Midnight Suns re main in the lead of the 2nd half.

PERSONAL

Leiv Aasgard is happy to be home again from Aberhart Memorial Hospital after a lengthy 9 months of recuperating. He has been home one month now. We wish you continued good health in the years ahead.

Mr. and Mrs. Hans Kristensen were paid a surprise visit by Mrs. Kristensen's cousin Hans Dall. It was a very exciting weekend as Mrs. Kristensen had not seen Hans in 14 years. He arrived Saturday from Telkwa, British Columbia.

weekend guests from Saskatchewan also playing hockey this year. He in March. Their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. & Mrs. Fawell, from Adanac. Their son A. G. Johnson from Wilkie, who was on his return trip from the coast.

Mrs. Lillian Blue of Esther and Camrose was a guest at the home of her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. A. Searl the latter part of February.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Jakobsen of 8911-83 Ave. are leaving Edmonton to reside in Vancouver, British Colum-

Mrs. M. Myers is spending a week at Fort St. John with her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Nilsen are vacationing for three weeks in Hawaii, and are expected to be home

Last Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. M. MacDonald and Jimmy were the Tullefson family from Camrose. They enjoyed an afternoon of music by the two Fulleson bays & Jimmy.

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Eight members from the Folk Dancing group journeyed to Canirose on Sunday afternoon, March 11 gary. It was quite a nippy night to help Mr. Sigvald Arneberg celebut that was soon forgotten in the brate his birthday. The lovely canmerriment of music and song. The delit cake provided by Mrs. Mac-Folk-dancers and the Drill team Donald was shared with Jmmy Macwere on hand to give a fine perform- Donald who also celebrated his ance for Calgarians. Mrs. Hovde birthday on Sunday. The combined birthday required many candles on the cake; however, Sigvald and Jimmy joined forces and blew-once. They got their wishes. A delicious lunch was served.

> The variety show will be over with by the time this is in the mail; however we would like you to know the cast of 45 performers have put a lot of effort into their practices. The little ones, 16 in all, who practiced for a march were exceptionally good in their attendance. The next folk dancing practice will be on Friday, April 6 in the Masonc Temple Club Room. Everyone welcome.

OUR YOUNG FOLKS

The Sunray Junior Lodge had an attendance of 30 members on the night of their March 14 meeting. They enjoyed themselves in games and recorded music in their aftermeeting social. The next meeting will be held in April on Wednesday It is Bingo night. Have fun, kids.

The Sunray Junior Lodge has reason to be proud of their president Harry Mjaatveit. A few weeks ago Harry attempted to save the life of a 63 year old man who had succumbed on a downtown street. He of the great lakes, and the lower applied mouth-to-mouth respiration but failed in his efforts to revive the man. An ambulance was called and respiration was continued but the man was pronounced dead on arrival at the Royal Alexandra Hospital. Harry is 15 years old and is a student at Victoria Composite. He has taken swimming at the school.

Ken Storheim passed his grade 9-10 piano exams with honors. His music teacher is Mr. R. M. Pounder. Congratulations Ken.

Keith Rikstad, Financial Secretary, reports dues are being promptly paid which helps to start the year Mr. and Mrs. Halvor Johnson had on a good financial basis. Keith is and a friend are in playoffs for championship at the Avenmore Community League. Good luck boys.

BOWLING SCORES

These scores are from standings Norman Dick, high triple, 676. Norman Dick, high average, 167. Lenord Chilibeck, high single, 255. Ar-

LIGHT ON DANISH HISTORY

A History Of The Kingdom Of Denmark, Host & Son, Copenhagen

To most of us the darkness of Danish history is illustrated by little and thus became a Great King. At Copenhagen eight hundred years later Nelson put his telescope to his blind eye, ignored an order and went on fighting the Danes. After that he sent-them a letter calling them the Brothers of Englishmen.

Nelson's view is one all of us achappily we do not feel the need to go on quarreling with them to prove it. There is in any case the fact that in the year 900 A.D. one inhabitant in four in England was Danish or of Danish descent. But the long stretch between the Viking era which culminated in Canute and the unhappy affair at Copenhagen is to most of us almost a historical vacuum.

The reason for this says Palle Lauring, is that after Canute the two countries went their separate ways. England's way lay south and westwards, reaching out further and further into the great oceans. Denmark's way lay more to the east and north. Why Denmark should look more eastwards appears from the opening chapters of the fascinating book. As Scandinavia emerged from the Ice Age, what is now Sweden was cut in two through the line part of present-day Sweden was Danish. And it might perhaps still have been so if all the Danish Kings had had the political wisdom of Canute. Unhappily, they exploited the situation which gave them command of both sides of the entrance to the

lene Amdam, high single, 256. Arlene Amdam, high triple, 495. Arlene Amdam, high average, 136. Harry Mjaatveits' Rockettes are in

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more than a couple of anecdotes. nels) that when in 1658 the Swedes King Canute of Denmark and Eng- had Denmark at their mercy and of the civilized Denmark of today, land showed his flattering courtiers demanded the permanent cession of where few have too much, still few that he did not command the waves the Scanian provinces as the price er too little, stretches back to the Sound divided. This was forcibly demonstrated a few months later trade. when the Swedes, in command of the eastern coast of the Sound, broke the peace treaty and once more had Denmark in their hands. her rivers seldom originate high en-But this time Holland, with the prospect of both sides of the Sound being in command of Sweden, switched her support to Denmark.

None the less the Sound and Great Belt dues continued to be levied by freely as David Hohnen's excellent Denmark until 1857 when, in consideration for ceasing to levy them, less difficulty. A History of the King-Denmark was promised an all-time indemnity from the maritime powers a paper back and Kr. 38,00 bound. of what at the present rates of ex-change would be 20,000,000. Appar-have the extra Kr. 4,00 spent on it. of what at the present rates of exently two of the high contracting parties have still not paid in full, but, with Canute-like wisdom, Mr. Lauring does not say who they are.

in the history of Denmark after the you would be eating a sweet cake Vikings, the story as Palle Lauring often served at tea time.

tells it makes fascinating reading. A country which once led the Scandinavian Union, ruled Norway for Baltic, exacting dues from all ships over 400 years, Iceland for over 500, and established colonies in Africa This went on for four and a half and the Caribbean, is now confined centuries and so irked the maritime to the 500 islands which make up the powers concerned (for the Sound Danish homeland, plus the Faroes was one of Europe's busiest chan- and Greenland. But Denmark's gloof peace, no one was moved to go to Middle Ages, when Denmark was Denmark's aid. The maritime pow- the first country to eradicate leproers preferred to have control of the sy, and to 1802 when Denmark led the world in abandoning the slave

> Danish manufacturing skill developed late owing to the lack of power. Denmark is low-lying country; ough to provide sufficient pressure to drive a reasonably hefty waterwheel, and water reserves are lim-

> If Danish rivers had flowed as translation there would have been dom of Denmark costs Kr. 34,- in Roy Duffell

> > Danish Foreign Office Journal

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